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Children's Liturgy: September - June

Weekday Masses  
Tuesday 6:00 pm  
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Rosary/Adoration before Weekday Masses

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Sat 4 - 4:45 pm or before weekday Masses

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Sunday 12:00 pm by appointment

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Arrangements should be made at least 6  
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Secretary  
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Office hours: Wednesday and Friday  
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Min. Schedule - Feb 14/15/18

**Hospitality:**  
5:00 pm - Victor Gatt  
9:00 am - Joe Gatt  
11:00 am - Mark Morasse  
6:00 pm - Lisa Shibley

**Communion:**  
5:00 am - Tom Lannan  
9:00 am - Susan Foebel  
11:00 am - Lisa Shibley  
6:00 pm - Joe Gatt

**The 5th Sunday in  
Ordinary Time  
Year A**  
**You are the  
salt of the  
earth.**

**Lectors:**  
5:00 pm - Tom Lannan  
9:00 am - Joshua Mosley  
11:00 am - Karen Schroeder  
6:00 pm - Dan Tonello  
**Video:**  
5:00 pm - Joe Lannan  
9:00 am - Dan Tonello  
11:00 am - Albert DeLaat  
6:00 pm - Sandy MacIntyre  
**Organist:**  
All Masses - Dino Sicoli

# February 8, 2026 A.D.

## The 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A



*Lord may the request of our people rise before you like a fragrant offering*

**Tues Feb 10 6:00 pm** +John Haakman  
**Wed Feb 11 8:30 am** +Maria Ferrara  
**Thurs Feb 12 St. Agatha**  
**8:30 am** +Geza Jeggs  
**Fri Feb 13 St. Paul Miki and Companions**  
**8:30 am** +Terry Law  
*The 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
**Sat Feb 14 5:00 pm** +Mario Armenti  
**Sun Feb 15 9:00 am** +Joseph Azzopardi  
**11:00 am** +For the living and deceased members of St. Patrick's

### BE SALT AND LIGHT

Today we receive both encouragement and clear directions for us as Christian stewards. There is little doubt about what matters most to God and how He intends for us to use the gifts He has placed in our care.

The prophet Isaiah delivers unmistakable instruction: "Share you bread with the hungry, shelter the oppressed and the homeless; clothe the naked when you see them, and do not turn your back on your own."

There is no room for hesitation here. Care for our brothers and sisters in need is not optional - it is a core responsibility of the Christian steward. These commands also require action - to share, to shelter, to clothe, and to remain faithful even within the challenges of family life.

At the same time, Isaiah reminds us of God's generosity when we live this way. "Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your wound shall quickly be healed... Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer... Then light shall rise for you in the darkness." God calls us to serve others because He created us for this very purpose. When we give ourselves away, we discover who we are meant to be. God's grace increases within us, and His joy and



peace take deeper root in our hearts. This is the beauty of a stewardship way of life.

St. Paul reassures us that we need not rely on our own abilities to answer this call. It is the Lord who works through us when we step forward in faith. Paul admits, "I did not come with sublimity of words or of wisdom... I came to you in weakness and fear and much trembling... so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God."

Our weaknesses are no obstacle to God. In fact, He often uses them to reveal His glory when we are willing to cooperate with His grace. This should encourage us when we feel unqualified or unsure.

So, we are sent out with a clear mission. Jesus calls His disciples - and us - the "salt of the earth" and the "light of the world." But salt loses its purpose if it grows stale, and light cannot shine if it is hidden. Our faith must be lived openly. We are called to act so that others may see how we serve, how we care for the vulnerable, how we prioritize our families, and above all, how we love God - and through our witness, give glory to Him.

This is the stewardship way of life. Let us live it with conviction.

reflections@catholicsteward.com

by Mary Anne  
 by Tony & Jane D'Uva  
 by Maggie Rezo  
 by Pat Law  
 by Flora Armenti & Family  
 by Dino & Lily Sicoli

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### INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

Your 2025 Income Tax Receipts are now available at the back of the church. Thank you

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### ENHANCE YOUR LENTEN JOURNEY

#### THIS YEAR

As we prepare our hearts for the sacred season of Lent, we invite you to enrich your spiritual experience with a special Lenten Journal crafted locally by our dedicated clergy and devoted laypeople. This journal offers thoughtful reflections and prayers inspired by the daily Gospel readings throughout Lent, inviting you to discover new insights and deepen your faith like never before.

Join us in this sacred time of reflection, prayer and growth. Your journey toward Easter can be even more meaningful with the guidance of these reflections.



The Journals will be available at the back of the church on February 7/8 and 14/15. We kindly ask for a suggested donation of \$5, if you are able, to help cover printing costs. Please note that supplies are limited, so be sure to secure your journal early!

Let this Lenten season be a transformative journey, drawing us closer to God and to one another.

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### DIOCESAN SEPARATED & DIVORCED HEALING

#### MINISTRY SUPPORT GROUP

meets every 2nd and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month (except holidays)

7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre, 7020 Stanley Avenue, Niagara Falls, Ontario.

### **PROGRAM SCHEDULE FOR WINTER/SPRING 2026**

Feb 9, 2026 Sadness and Depression  
 Feb 23, 2026 What Is Forgiveness  
 Mar 9, 2026 Learning To Forgive  
 Mar 23, 2026 The Gift of the Holy Spirit  
 Apr 13, 2026 Identifying Our Losses  
 Apr 27, 2026 Coping With Grief  
 May 11, 2026 Navigating Change

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

#### SHROVE TUESDAY PANCKE SUPPER

Tuesday February 17 4:30 - 6:00 pm

St. Therese Hall

Adults: \$10.00 Children Under 12: \$5.00

We encourage you to purchase tickets ahead of time from: Tom Lannan - 905 835 1841

or Tim Grawey 905 834 6791

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### SOUP SUNDAY

Come and join us for our annual Soup Sunday Luncheon on Sunday March 1, 2026 after the 11 am Mass.

Cost: Adults - \$15/person

And children under 12 - \$5

Includes a variety of soup, focaccia bread and Italian bread, assorted desserts, tea, coffee and lemonade.



**Tickets will be sold at the door.**

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### ST. PATRICK'S DAY LUNCHEON



Sunday March 15, 2026 at 12 noon.



Come and join us to celebrate our Parish's Patron Saint

Cost: Adults: \$30

Children (14 - 6): \$10

Children 5 and under: Free

Includes: Cabbage, Corn Beef, Potatoes, Irish Stew, Gluten Free Irish Stew, Rye Bread, Dessert, Coffee, Tea and Pop.

Ticket sales begin next weekend available after Masses and the back of the church or office.

Deadline to purchase will be March 8.

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### SALT AND LIGHT PRAYER

God our Father, On a hillside in Galilee, your Son Jesus called us to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world.

Give us the strength and wisdom to become the people of the Beatitudes in our day, so that our words may season the world with the flavour of the Gospel and our lives be shining examples of Jesus, who is the true Light of the world. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen."